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- 1. Transmittal Sheet (1 page);
- 2. PTO SB30 Request for Continued Examination Transmittal (1 page);
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- 4. Amendment submission under 37 CR 1.114 (5 pages).

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Sir:

In response to the Final Official Action mailed September 7, 2004, enclosed herewith is a Request for Continued Examination. The present amendment is provided in support of said Request.

Amendment to the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks relevant to the present response begin at page 5 of this paper.